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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. - 13. (Canceled).

- 14. (Previously Presented) A process for preparing asparagine-linked oligosaccharide derivatives, comprising the steps of:
 - (a) treating a delipidated egg yolk with a protease to obtain a mixture of peptide-linked oligosaccharides;
 - (b) isolating the mixture of peptide-linked oligosaccharides;
 - (c) treating the isolated mixture of peptide-linked oligosaccharides with a peptidase to obtain a mixture of asparagine-linked oligosaccharides; and
 - (d) introducing a lipophilic protective group into the asparagine-linked oligosaccharides in the mixture to obtain a mixture of asparagine-linked oligosaccharide derivatives.
- 15. (Previously Presented) The process of claim 14, further comprising the step of:
 - (e) subjecting the mixture of asparagine-linked oligosaccharide derivatives to a fractionating chromatography using a reverse phase column to separate the mixture into individual asparagine-linked oligosaccharide derivatives.
- 16. (Previously Presented) The process of claim 14, wherein the asparagine-linked oligosaccharide derivatives are asparagine-linked undeca- to penta-saccharide derivatives.

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17. (Previously Presented) The process of claim 16, wherein the asparagine-linked oligosaccharide derivatives are asparagine-linked undeca- to hepta-saccharide derivatives.

- 18. (Previously Presented) The process of claim 17, wherein the asparagine-linked oligosaccharide derivatives are asparagine-linked undeca- to nona-saccharide derivatives.
- 19. (Previously Presented) The process of claim 18, wherein the asparagine-linked oligosaccharide derivatives are asparagine-linked undecasaccharide derivates.
- 20. (Previously Presented) The process of claim 19, wherein the asparagine-linked oligosaccharide derivatives have the following formula:

wherein Prot is a lipophilic protective group, Asn is an asparagine, and Ac is an acetyl group.

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